Attention: Docket ID Number OPP-2003-0010.

To whom it may concern,

It has come to our attention that endangered species are becoming ever more endangered. The proposed rules, released by U.S. Environmental Protection Agency,

National Marine Fisheries Service and Fish and Wildlife Service on January 24, 2003 take away much needed checks and balances in the consultation process. EPA would be given unilateral decision making power to determine the risk of many pesticides to endangered species.

Thus, removing authority from the Services charged with protecting wildlife.

For many years the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, along with the National Marine Fisheries Service and the Fish and Wildlife

Service have failed to protect endangered fish, birds and other organisms from the toxic effects of pesticides. Now it appears that EPA and the Services will try to side step the law instead of fulfilling their collective duty.

Please do not allow this to happen.

Sincerely yours, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Glenn PO Box 897 Atascadero, CA 93423